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June 5, 2023

The Honorable Tommy Waters
Chair and Presiding Officer
and Members
Honolulu City Council
530 South King Street, Room 202
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Chair Waters and Councilmembers:

SUBJECT: Resolution 23-46 — Confirming the Reappointment of Mr. Dennis Morton to Serve on the Fire Commission

I acknowledge and apologize for the irregularity of Mayor's Message 99 (2023) withdrawing the reappointment of Mr. Dennis Morton to serve on the Fire Commission. As explained by Managing Director Michael Formby, my commitment upon becoming Mayor was to be deliberative in my appointments, and where I did not personally know the nominee, meet and spend some time understanding their background and priorities.

Since Mayor's Message 99 (2023) was submitted to Council, I have personally met with Mr. Dennis Morton and hereby affirm his commitment to the people of the City and County of Honolulu and my full faith in his qualifications to serve on the Fire Commission. Pursuant to Section 13-103(b) of the Revised Charter of the City and County of Honolulu, I hereby reappoint Mr. Morton as a member of the Fire Commission, subject to confirmation by this Council, for a second term to expire on December 31, 2027.

I thank Mr. Morton for the opportunity to meet and get to know him prior to confirmation and I appreciate the Council's anticipated favorable consideration.

Sincerely,

Rick Blangiardi
Mayor

cc: Mr. Dennis Morton
Honolulu Fire Department
Fire Commission
Ethics Commission